White ethnic exclusiveness is reflected in minimal Klamath participation in formal organizations, lodges, political groups, scouts, and various clubs. Elite groups such as the Masons are exclusively White, while the elite Methodist church contains a single Klamath member. In the century of contact few Klamath have held elective office outside the tribal structure, and although a high percentage have registered, very few vote in local, state, or national elections. The dual structure of local communities is best reflected in the sharp division of networks of friendships and home visiting, White on the one hand, Klamath on the other. Clearly, the place and role of the Klamath is a special one.

Their special status has numerous implications. For years, to obtain their drinking liquor the Klamath had to turn to bootleggers, a legal disability which was removed only in 1951. Local law enforcement has sometimes been difficult due to dual or conflicting jurisdictions, and jurisdiction over major crimes committed by Klamath was given over to the state of Oregon in 1953. The land holdings of Klamath property owners, because of their special status, are frequently tax exempt, as have been their per capita payments. Simultaneously, the Klamath have exhibited little constructive concern with local affairs. As was noted, their contribution to the community takes a special form. In Chiloquin during a typical year arrests of tribal members amounted to 70 percent of the total, and they also paid 70 percent of all fines and forfeited bails and performed 96 percent of all trustee labor (Stern & Swanson 1960). The wardship status has, however, suffered gradual attrition, and in 1954 the passage of Public Law 587 began the final termination of federal supervision of the tribe, and the dissolution of the reservation.

Under PL 587 the Klamath were allowed the choice of remaining within a reconstituted "Klamath Tribe," with a corporate structure and assets to be administered by a trustee, or they had the choice of withdrawing and of receiving a pro rata share of tribal assets. In a later election, about 77 percent of the membership elected the latter, and chose to withdraw. However, the control of the new "tribe's" assets and the fact that many persons who withdrew have been designated as "in need of assistance" indicates that although federal supervision has been ended, the control and intervention of Whites has not.

The separation of Whites and Klamath in local communities is by no means entirely due to White attitudes of exclusiveness or to overt discrimination. Individual Klamath have shown an equally noncommittal relationship to tribal affairs. Attendance at tribal meetings has been very low in spite of numerous inducements such as free bar-b-ques. In General Council meetings (and tribal affairs, generally) the conduct of business is marked by extensive and endemic factionalism, delays, repetitious debate, failure to resolve or even to state issues, and pointless, lingering sessions. Here is one place, outside of the telling of a ripe but dirty joke, that one may hear the Klamath language used; but it is used as a tool to beat down an opposing tribal member who does not understand it. Though the General Council and the Tribe are symbolic of a corporate separateness and of a Klamath identity, this minimal participation and the distrust of the ability of tribal leaders to manage the tribe's resources weakens them as systems of action.

Klamath families are another important locus of loyalty and identification. The household or domestic group itself averages about four members, but there are many single male households and many domestic groups headed by women. The latter is symptomatic of the instability of the marriage tie. Marriage, in the legal sense, is itself approximated in frequency by common-law unions and more temporary "shack-jobs." Probably one-third of all Klamath women have